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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/771,778
 Applicant(s) : Michael Donovan Mitchell, et al.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.115

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
 Commissioner for Patents
 P. O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, at line 8 please insert the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation (divisional) of U.S. Application No. 09/832,580, filed April 11, 2001 now allowed.--

Respectfully submitted,

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